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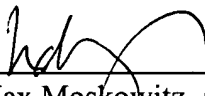
Sir:

Our records indicate that we filed a response to an Office Action in the above-identified application about six months ago.

Since that response, we have not received any communication from the U.S. Patent Office.

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Respectfully Submitted,



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